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SUBJECT : 1. CONTINUED ARGENTINE PRESSURE TO PERSUADE PARAGUAY TO CHANGE ITS DECISION NOT TO JOIN "TESEO," A CONDOR ACTION UNIT.

2. LOCATION OF THE "TESEO" OPERATIONS CENTER. 3.3(b)(1)

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SUMMARY: IN LATE SEPTEMBER 1977 [redacted] ARGENTINA HAS BEEN PRESSING PARAGUAY SINCE EARLY 1977 TO JOIN "TESEO," A UNIT ESTABLISHED BY THE CONDOR COOPERATIVE ORGANIZATION OF SOUTH AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES TO CONDUCT 3.3(b)(1) PHYSICAL ATTACKS AGAINST SUBVERSIVE TARGETS. [redacted] THAT PARAGUAY CONTINUES TO ADHERE TO ITS DECISION NOT TO JOIN BECAUSE PARAGUAY DOES NOT WANT ANY ASSOCIATION WITH A UNIT WHICH EMPLOYS UNDERWORLD TACTICS AND OPERATES ACROSS INTERNATIONAL BORDERS. [redacted] THE "TESEO" HEADQUARTERS IS LOCATED AT THE 601ST INTELLIGENCE BATTALION IN BUENOS AIRES. END SUMMARY.

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1. ALTHOUGH PARAGUAY DECIDED IN EARLY 1977 NOT TO JOIN "TESEO," ARGENTINA CONTINUES TO PRESS PARAGUAY TO DO SO AT EACH MEETING OF THE CONDOR ORGANIZATION [redacted] PARAGUAY CONTINUES TO ADHERE TO ITS DECISION AND HAS NOT 3.3(b)(1) BOWED TO ARGENTINA'S DESIRES. [redacted] PARAGUAY EXPECTS AGAIN TO BE PRESSED ON THIS POINT AT THE COMING MEETING OF CONDOR TO BE HELD 3.3(b)(1) IN BUENOS AIRES. [redacted]

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INTELLIGENCE SERVICES OF THE COUNTRIES THAT BORDER ARGENTINA.

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THE AGREEMENT IN LATE MAY 1976 OF ALL CONDOR COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE IN A NEW UNIT CALLED "TESEO," WHICH WAS DESIGNED TO CONDUCT PHYSICAL ATTACKS AGAINST MEMBERS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COORDINATION JUNTA (JCR) AND JCR SUPPORTERS IN FRANCE.

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2. PARAGUAY INITIALLY INFORMED ARGENTINA OF ITS DECISION AFTER A CONDOR COUNTRY MEETING IN BUENOS AIRES IN DECEMBER 1976. THE DECISION WAS REACHED AFTER SECURITY OFFICERS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED AGAINST JOINING "TESEO" TO PRESIDENT 3.3(b)(1)
ALFREDO S T R O E S S N E R. STROESSNER AGREED WITH THE RECOMMENDATION AND TOOK THE POSITION THAT PARAGUAY SHOULD CONTINUE TO ASSIST OTHER COUNTRIES BY FURNISHING INFORMATION TO THEIR RESPECTIVE SERVICES ON SUBVERSIVE GROUPS, BUT PARAGUAY SHOULD NOT JOIN ANY UNIT

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WHICH EMPLOYS UNDERWORLD TACTICS AGAINST ITS TARGETS AND OPERATES ACROSS INTERNATIONAL BORDERS. [redacted] STROESSNER ALSO SAID 3.3(b)(1) HE DID NOT WANT ANY CONDOR MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN PARAGUAY AT WHICH "TESEO" RELATED MATTERS MIGHT BE DISCUSSED BECAUSE HE THOUGHT "TESEO" WOULD BRING NOTHING BUT PROBLEMS FOR THE SERVICES AND THE COUNTRIES INVOLVED. 3.3(b)(1)

3. [redacted] PARAGUAY TOLD ARGENTINA IT WAS UNABLE TO JOIN "TESEO" BECAUSE OF PARAGUAY'S SMALL, YOUNG AND INEXPERIENCED INTELLIGENCE SERVICE AND LACK OF NECESSARY MATERIAL RESOURCES. [redacted] [redacted] THE ARGENTINES IN RETURN OFFERED TO TRAIN PARAGUAYAN PERSONNEL FOR THE "TESEO" UNIT AND ALSO TO FUND THE PARAGUAYAN QUOTA FOR "TESEO" OPERATIONS IF PARAGUAY WOULD JOIN. [redacted] 3.3(b)(1) AFTER PARAGUAY HAD REJECTED SEVERAL ARGENTINE INVITATIONS TO JOIN "TESEO," ARGENTINA ACCUSED PARAGUAY OF FEARING THE U.S. REACTION TO "TESEO" IN THE EVENT THAT PARAGUAYAN MEMBERSHIP WERE DISCOVERED, ADDING THAT ARGENTINA APPARENTLY HAD MISJUDGED U.S. INFLUENCE IN PARAGUAY.

3.3(b)(1) 4. [redacted] THE "TESEO" OPERATIONS CENTER IS LOCATED WITHIN THE COMPLEX IN BUENOS AIRES WHICH HOUSES THE 601ST 3.3(b)(1) INTELLIGENCE BATTALION OF THE STATE SECRETARIAT FOR INTELLIGENCE (SIDE).

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5. ARGENTINA, CHILE AND URUGUAY HAVE JOINED "TESEO" AND HE BELIEVES BOLIVIA ALSO IS A MEMBER. 3.3(b)(1)

BOLIVIA DECLINED TO PARTICIPATE IN "TESEO" SUBSEQUENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR ITS FORMATION.)

A "TESEO" UNIT COMPOSED OF AN ARGENTINE, A CHILEAN AND AN URUGUAYAN WHICH WAS SENT TO FRANCE EARLY IN 1977 IN SEARCH OF ILICH R A M I R E Z SANCHEZ, THE INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST KNOWN AS "CARLOS."

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